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SUBJ: WEST BERLIN'S ELECTRIC POWER NEEDS

1. ACTING SENAT CHANCELLERY CHIEF SCHULTZE INFORMED ALLIED LIAISON OFFICERS THAT SENAT HAD DECIDED TO GIVE QUESTION OF CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITONAL POWER PLANT HIGHEST PRIORITY AND EXPECTED ALL RESPONSIBLE OFFICES (BUILDING AND HOUSING, ECONOMICS, ETC.) TO REPORT BACK "AS SOON AS POSSIBLE", I.E. WITHIN FOUR WEEKS. HE ADDED THAT IT WAS HIGHLY LIKELY THAT SENAT WOULD DECIDE FINALLY TO CONSTRUCT A 600 MEGAWATT (MW) POWER PLANT IN SPANDAU FOREST, WITH OPTION OF CONSTRUCTING ADDITIONAL 600 MW PLANT AT SITE ADJOINING. (COMMENT: SENAT IS WELL AWARE THAT SUCH A MOVE WOULD BE UNPOPULAR WITH PEOPLE OF SPANDAU AND ENVIRON-MENTALISTS, BUT MAY HAVE DECIDED THAT IT UNWISE IN LONG RUN TO LET CITIZENS GROUPS IN VARIOUS BERLIN DISTRICTS DETERMINE WHAT WAS BEST FOR ALL OF CITY. END COMMENT).

2. SCHULTZE SAID HE THOUGHT THAT WHEN DECISION WAS
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ANNOUNCED ON CONSTRUCTION OF POWER PLANT IN SPANDAU,

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PARTICULARLY THAT IT WOULD HAVE POTENTIAL OF BEING EXPANDED TO 1200 MW, THIS WOULD IMPROVE CHANCES OF SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATION WITH GDR ON TRANSIT RIGHTS FOR POWER TRANSMISSION LINE FROM HELMSTEDT TO WEST BERLIN. COMMENT: SENAT'S ORIGINAL IDEA FOR MEETING BERLIN POWER NEEDS TO 1990 WAS A 1200 MW PLANT TO BE BUILT IN BLOCKS AT ONE LOCAT BY 1985/86, UNLESS SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATIONS FOR OUTSIDE POWER MADE SECOND 600 MW THEREOF UNNECESSARY. SCHULTZE'S REMARKS INDICATE THAT FOLLOWING LENGTHY PERIOD OF WAVERING, SENAT MAY BE RETURNING TO ITS ORIGINAL CONCEPT. END COMMENT.GEORGE

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